



## ST IVO SCHOOL

### Details about the PE Department

The PE department is highly successful and committed both in terms of students' academic achievements and the extra-curricular opportunities we offer. As a team of eleven teachers, we encourage all students to foster a love of sport in all our students regardless of ability. We are the current holders of the "Secondary School of the Year" award from Living Sport.

All students in Years 7 to 11 have core PE lessons. In Years 7 to 9 students have two hours a week of PE, one hour in single sex ability groups, the other in mixed gender ability sets. In Year 10 students have PE three hours a fortnight, and in Year 11 once a week. Students participate in a wide variety of activities during these lessons on a rotational basis, including hockey, netball, badminton, basketball, football, rugby, swimming, tennis, health related exercise, orienteering, cricket and athletics. We also hold InterHouse competitions every term.

The department offers a range of qualification courses at Key Stage 4 and post 16. Our option courses are very popular with students who opt for PE in Years 10 and 11 are guided to take either GCSE PE (with OCR) or Cambridge National Certificate in Sports Studies. In the Sixth Form, we have high uptake on to Level 3 Cambridge Technical Diploma in Sport which is offered as a double option. Last year 86% of students on this course were awarded Distinction\* Distinction\*. We also teach A Level PE with AQA, and the Level 2 Cambridge Technical Diploma in Sport as part of the school's 'bridging year' offer.

Our extra-curricular offer is very popular with fixtures being very well attended. There are weekly district fixtures across the sports and year groups. We also enter teams for numerous competitions at county, regional and national level. As a department and school we have enjoyed national success in recent years in both football and cricket. Many of our staff also compete or coach outside of school, forging great community links.

We are very well resourced with access to facilities including a 6 badminton court sports hall, gym, hall, 25m indoor swimming pool, 6 netball/tennis courts, football/rugby pitches including a full size 3G pitch, artificial surface hockey area, cricket pitches and an all weather 400m athletics track. Some of these facilities are located a 10 minute walk from the main school site.

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